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# Scenario Week

By Recruit Glejf

The beginning of scenario week started off with two days of 10-hour shifts for the recruits. These two days were a great chance for the recruits to experience what it is actually going to be like once they reach their respective departments. It was also a great opportunity for the recruits to



put to work all of the skills they have accumulated over the past 20 weeks. During the scenarios, the recruits were partnered up and dispatched to all of their calls. Along with the dispatched calls, they also had the opportunity to make traffic stops as they saw fit. Through these traffic stops, the recruits had the chance to polish up their approaches, their



contact with the individual, and their knowledge of traffic laws. The calls the recruits responded to included domestics, fights in progress, medical responses, alarms, and everything in between.

These two days were a great learning tool for the recruits. During their shifts, the recruits were given an evaluator to ride along with. The evaluators were from different sponsoring police departments. Other evaluators were staff from the Police Corps. The evaluators were there



to critique the recruits' performances on their respective calls. Following the completion of an assignment, the evaluators offered constructive criticism and told the recruits what they could have done differently and what they did well.

With two more days of ten-hour scenar-



ios, the recruits can learn a lot more and prepare themselves for field training once they reach their agencies.
All of the recruits had a great time during their scenarios, and are looking forward to the last two days of the scenario week. The time here has gone by fast and many are starting to see all of the training pay off.

# **Simunitions**

By Recruit Scott

On Tuesday, the recruits had one last chance to utilize the Simunitions training equipment at the State Patrol Academy. The scenario was set up in the indoor firing range and it required the recruits to decide whether or not to use deadly force.

The recruits were dispatched to an armed robbery call at a local convenience

store. The only information they were given was that a male subject was seen entering the



store with a gun. The recruits were sent out in pairs of two and had to tactically deal with the situation.

The recruits found this scenario to be one of the most useful and exciting of all the Simunition scenarios they have been through. The recruits are all very glad that they were given the opportunity to experience these types of scenarios throughout their training.

### **COPPS Presentations**

By Recruit Jentzsch

On Monday and Tuesday, the recruits gave twenty-thirty minute Community Oriented Policing Problem Solving (COPPS) presentations on problems that affect many of their communities. Some topics included: theft of vehicles, drug dealing in privately owned apartments, clandestine methamphetamine labs, and

misuse and abuse of the 911 system. Each recruit was assigned a topic in which they gathered background information and researched different ways of combating that dilemma. All of the recruits needed to look at the various problem-solving methods and assess which ones would be the most effective.

The overall course was very eye opening for the class.
The recruits learned to work with

the entire community and to search deeper for solutions, not just look for quick fixes. The problem solving techniques learned throughout the course will continue to be useful throughout the recruits' careers. The recruits feel very confident that they will be able to use these skills appropriately and bring a different angle to problem solving in their respective departments.

## Picture Of The Week

Photograph by Recruit Gleif

Recruit Miller takes a moment to reflect on his memories during our last boxing class.

